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EXTENSION OF STATEWIDE VARIANCE NO. V09HQSCD006 FOR CALTRANS' HANDLING OF AERIALY DEPOSITED LEAD

Dear Ms. Pierce:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) received a letter dated May 30, 2014, from the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), regarding Variance No. V09HQSCD006 (Variance), issued June 30, 2009. Caltrans is requesting DTSC to grant a six-month extension on the Variance with the new expiration date of December 31, 2014, instead of June 30, 2014. The Variance waives specified hazardous waste management requirements for purposes of Caltrans' handling of roadside soil contaminated with aerially deposited lead, and applies to Caltrans' highway improvement projects in all Caltrans Districts statewide.

Based on recent discussions between Caltrans and DTSC both agreed a six-month extension is necessary to provide adequate time for DTSC to finalize the new (renewal) variance, and for Caltrans to review and provide comments on the renewal variance. Key next steps in DTSC's review process include finalizing the ecological and health risk assessments, working on the California Environmental Quality Act documents, drafting of the renewal variance, and allowing adequate time for a public notice period for the renewal variance.

This letter hereby extends the effective date of Variance No. V09HQSCD006 to December 31, 2014. If you have any questions regarding this extension, please contact Mr. Bob Gipson of my staff at (916) 327-4061 or via email at Bob.Gipson@dtsc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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